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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of

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Application No.: 10/796,189

Group Art Unit: 2821

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Examiner: S. Roy

For:

WIRING STRUCTURE FORMED IN CONTACT HOLE, MANUFACTURING

METHOD THEREFOR, AND A DISPLAY APPARATUS HAVING THE SAME (AS

AMENDED)

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Restriction Requirement Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In the Office Action dated September 9, 2004, the Examiner imposed a Restriction

Requirement pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §121, requiring election of:

Group I. Claims 1 through 12¹ directed to a layered structure;

Group II. Claims 13 and 14 directed to a method; or

Group III. Claims 15 through 18 directed to a display apparatus.

In response Applicants elect to prosecute apparatus claims 15 through 18 (Group III).

Favorable consideration of claims 15 through 18 is solicited.

¹ Claims 1 through 12 were cancelled upon filing the present divisional application on March 10, 2004.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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